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**FOOTLOOSE MINNESOTANS: 44 PERCENT MOVED BETWEEN
1985 AND 1990**

Fifty percent of residents of the seven-county Twin Cities area moved at least once between 1985 and 1990, recently released 1990 Census information shows.

Statewide, 44 percent of Minnesotans aged 5 or older lived in a different house in 1990 than five years earlier. Mobility was even greater in Minneapolis, where 56 percent of the 1990 population lived in another house in 1985.

"Fast-growing communities have a lot of newcomers without deep roots," said Linda Kohl, Minnesota Planning Director. "In some counties, more than 30 percent of the population lived in another county or state only five years earlier."

The least mobile Minnesotans lived in rural areas of southwestern and northwestern Minnesota. Fewer than 25 percent of the 1990 residents of Marshall and Traverse counties moved between 1985 and 1990. In 15 other counties, fewer than 30 percent moved.

Apart from the Twin Cities area, the greatest residential mobility was in growing areas like Rochester and St. Cloud, and in counties with colleges and universities.

Many Minnesotans who moved in the last half of the 1980s moved into new houses or apartments. Statewide, one in 10 occupied houses was built between 1985 and 1990. The Twin Cities suburban area (excluding Minneapolis and St. Paul) accounted for 59 percent of housing units built between 1985 and 1990. One-fourth of housing units occupied in 1990 in Dakota County were built in the previous five years. By contrast, only 3 percent of occupied housing units in Minneapolis and St. Paul were less than five years old in 1990.

In all, 1.8 million Minnesotans over age 5 moved between 1985 and 1990. Seventy-eight percent of Minnesotans lived in the same county in 1990 as they did in 1985. Thirteen percent lived somewhere else in Minnesota in 1985. New residents from outside the state accounted for 8 percent of the state's total 1990 population.

The heaviest concentrations of in-migration from other counties or states were in counties on the Twin Cities fringe and counties with colleges or universities. More than 30 percent of the 1990 population in Benton, Blue Earth, Dakota, Nicollet, Sherburne and Washington counties moved from another county or state between 1985 and 1990.

Newcomers from other states accounted for more than 10 percent of the population in the growth counties of Dakota, Hennepin, and Olmsted and in the border counties of Clay, Wilkin and Winona.

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1985 RESIDENCE OF MINNESOTA 1990 POPULATION
Persons 5 Years or Older
Source: 1990 Census; Minnesota Planning computations

State/County/City	Persons 5+ yr. old	RESIDENCE IN 1985					(All Persons)
		MINNESOTA	MINNESOTA	MINNESOTA	OUTSIDE MN	OUTSIDE MN	Born in MN
		Same House	Same County	Different County	Different State	Outside U.S.	
MINNESOTA	4,038,861	55.5%	22.8%	12.9%	7.9%	0.9%	75.6%
Altkin	11,755	64.9%	17.9%	13.7%	3.3%	0.2%	79.4%
Anoka	222,266	54.3%	21.0%	18.6%	5.7%	0.4%	79.1%
Becker	25,827	61.7%	21.2%	8.9%	7.9%	0.2%	75.0%
Beltrami	31,526	54.5%	21.2%	16.5%	7.2%	0.7%	76.8%
Benton	27,544	56.4%	13.4%	24.6%	5.2%	0.3%	86.7%
Big Stone	5,844	70.8%	18.2%	7.6%	3.4%	0.1%	79.9%
Blue Earth	50,605	49.1%	19.5%	23.0%	7.5%	1.0%	80.0%
Brown	25,011	68.1%	18.0%	9.5%	4.2%	0.2%	88.0%
Carlton	27,215	62.3%	22.6%	10.3%	4.7%	0.1%	83.8%
Carver	43,357	54.2%	16.2%	21.0%	8.3%	0.4%	79.5%
Cass	20,257	59.1%	18.1%	16.9%	5.7%	0.2%	76.7%
Chippewa	12,342	68.4%	16.9%	10.7%	3.5%	0.4%	85.5%
Chisago	28,037	57.5%	15.7%	21.3%	5.3%	0.2%	78.2%
Clay	46,884	53.1%	17.4%	13.7%	15.0%	0.9%	51.1%
Clearwater	7,724	70.3%	17.6%	7.4%	4.5%	0.2%	81.4%
Cook	3,606	59.6%	21.8%	9.5%	9.1%	0.1%	73.0%
Cottonwood	11,881	70.2%	16.0%	9.1%	4.6%	0.1%	81.3%
Crow Wing	41,078	55.9%	24.8%	13.6%	5.4%	0.3%	78.7%
Dakota	249,647	46.5%	20.7%	20.4%	11.5%	0.8%	71.1%
Dodge	14,392	61.8%	18.5%	14.1%	5.2%	0.4%	80.0%
Douglas	26,654	58.5%	21.6%	14.3%	5.4%	0.2%	82.3%
Faribault	15,880	71.3%	18.0%	5.8%	4.5%	0.3%	80.8%
Fillmore	19,284	66.6%	19.8%	8.3%	5.0%	0.3%	73.6%
Freeborn	30,842	65.5%	22.2%	6.8%	5.3%	0.3%	78.1%
Goodhue	37,687	60.8%	20.5%	11.8%	6.6%	0.2%	80.8%
Grant	5,846	68.7%	17.9%	9.6%	3.7%	0.2%	84.5%
Hennepin	955,731	49.1%	30.2%	8.9%	10.3%	1.4%	69.1%
Houston	17,000	64.8%	20.7%	5.2%	9.2%	0.1%	45.0%
Hubbard	13,912	65.5%	14.6%	14.3%	5.3%	0.3%	73.2%
Isanti	23,874	62.9%	14.2%	19.4%	3.3%	0.3%	84.1%
Itasca	38,160	65.2%	21.2%	8.4%	4.8%	0.3%	81.1%
Jackson	10,881	68.3%	17.9%	6.5%	6.8%	0.6%	76.3%
Kanabec	11,823	62.0%	19.3%	14.5%	3.9%	0.4%	82.9%
Kandiyohi	35,745	59.2%	21.7%	13.0%	5.8%	0.4%	83.3%
Kittson	5,358	69.4%	19.4%	5.4%	5.8%	0.1%	77.3%
Koochiching	15,264	52.1%	28.1%	8.3%	10.2%	1.2%	74.9%
Lac Qui Parle	8,319	72.3%	18.1%	5.7%	3.7%	0.2%	85.3%
Lake	9,790	62.3%	19.7%	11.5%	6.5%	0.1%	77.0%
Lake of the Woods	3,739	62.9%	15.8%	13.3%	7.7%	0.2%	73.3%
Le Sueur	21,451	67.3%	15.3%	14.0%	3.3%	0.1%	87.7%
Lincoln	6,526	72.6%	16.1%	7.1%	4.0%	0.2%	80.4%
Lyon	23,043	57.0%	21.5%	13.0%	8.2%	0.4%	78.8%
McLeod	29,432	63.1%	20.7%	12.0%	3.8%	0.3%	88.6%

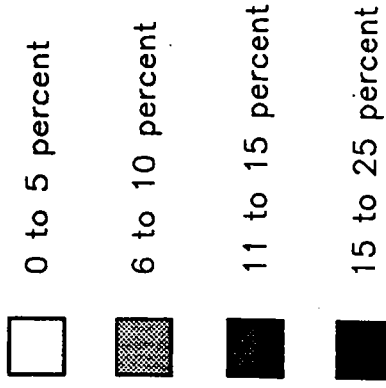
Johnnomen	4,699	73.4%	14.4%	9.5%	2.7%	0.0%	84.6%
Marshall	10,298	76.4%	12.6%	6.7%	3.9%	0.3%	76.8%
Martin	21,325	65.4%	22.3%	7.3%	4.7%	0.3%	77.5%
Meeker	19,259	67.9%	16.8%	11.7%	3.3%	0.2%	88.0%
Mille Lacs	17,245	62.1%	19.2%	14.3%	4.0%	0.3%	84.0%
Morrison	27,266	68.9%	18.3%	9.7%	2.8%	0.4%	89.2%
Mower	34,944	65.1%	20.9%	7.2%	6.4%	0.4%	73.7%
Murray	9,019	74.2%	15.8%	6.8%	3.2%	0.1%	82.8%
Nicollet	26,034	54.3%	12.9%	25.3%	7.1%	0.5%	81.8%
Nobles	18,741	66.1%	18.4%	6.7%	8.3%	0.5%	70.8%
Norman	7,492	73.8%	14.5%	5.7%	5.8%	0.2%	72.6%
Olmsted	97,171	51.3%	25.8%	10.2%	11.1%	1.6%	69.0%
Ottertail	47,257	64.6%	20.5%	9.1%	5.6%	0.2%	79.0%
Pennington	12,406	61.0%	21.2%	10.7%	6.8%	0.2%	79.3%
Pine	19,823	62.8%	16.3%	12.7%	7.5%	0.6%	78.3%
Pipestone	9,703	66.2%	19.0%	7.6%	7.1%	0.0%	70.9%
Polk	30,143	65.1%	19.1%	6.0%	9.4%	0.5%	62.2%
Pope	10,002	68.6%	15.9%	11.7%	3.6%	0.2%	84.6%
Ramsey	447,001	51.7%	25.0%	12.3%	8.8%	2.2%	73.7%
Red Lake	4,201	74.3%	13.9%	7.1%	4.6%	0.1%	84.2%
Redwood	15,975	70.9%	17.5%	8.9%	2.5%	0.2%	88.4%
Renville	16,389	73.0%	15.3%	8.6%	3.0%	0.1%	88.6%
Rice	45,807	54.3%	20.6%	14.8%	9.7%	0.6%	78.1%
Rock	9,133	67.0%	16.6%	6.6%	9.6%	0.2%	64.9%
Roseau	13,583	61.3%	21.1%	10.6%	6.4%	0.6%	82.3%
St. Louis	186,057	61.6%	24.5%	7.5%	6.0%	0.4%	81.1%
Scott	52,392	54.5%	18.3%	21.6%	5.2%	0.4%	80.2%
Sherburne	38,406	50.9%	13.1%	28.7%	7.0%	0.3%	81.0%
Sibley	13,299	72.4%	14.5%	9.9%	3.0%	0.2%	90.4%
Stearns	109,798	56.2%	20.1%	17.5%	5.7%	0.5%	86.9%
Steele	28,321	59.6%	22.3%	10.7%	7.1%	0.3%	80.2%
Stevens	10,016	57.7%	17.1%	19.3%	5.0%	0.8%	83.3%
Swift	10,065	71.7%	16.9%	8.0%	3.3%	0.1%	87.5%
Todd	21,727	68.9%	16.8%	10.8%	3.3%	0.2%	86.1%
Traverse	4,157	75.9%	13.4%	5.3%	5.2%	0.1%	76.3%
Wabasha	18,203	64.2%	18.4%	12.2%	4.8%	0.3%	83.8%
Wadena	12,195	63.0%	15.8%	15.9%	5.0%	0.4%	81.4%
Waseca	16,729	63.9%	17.8%	12.1%	6.0%	0.3%	84.5%
Washington	133,722	53.2%	15.7%	21.2%	9.2%	0.7%	73.7%
Watsonwan	10,808	66.1%	18.5%	7.3%	7.1%	0.9%	84.0%
Wilkin	6,931	66.5%	16.2%	6.0%	11.0%	0.3%	70.3%
Winona	44,646	54.3%	22.1%	11.2%	11.8%	0.7%	66.3%
Wright	62,501	57.5%	19.8%	18.3%	4.1%	0.3%	85.7%
Yellow Medicine	10,903	73.3%	13.8%	9.2%	3.4%	0.3%	85.2%

Bloomington	81,023	54.6%	27.6%	8.3%	8.4%	1.2%	69.6%
Duluth	80,014	54.5%	27.2%	10.8%	7.1%	0.5%	77.8%
Minneapolis	341,588	43.9%	32.2%	9.2%	12.4%	2.4%	65.6%
Rochester	64,618	46.3%	26.8%	11.2%	13.4%	2.3%	65.8%
St. Paul	249,397	50.1%	26.6%	11.1%	9.1%	3.0%	73.2%

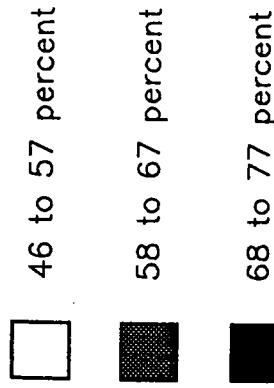
Residential Mobility and Housing Construction

Source: 1990 Census

Houses Built 1985--



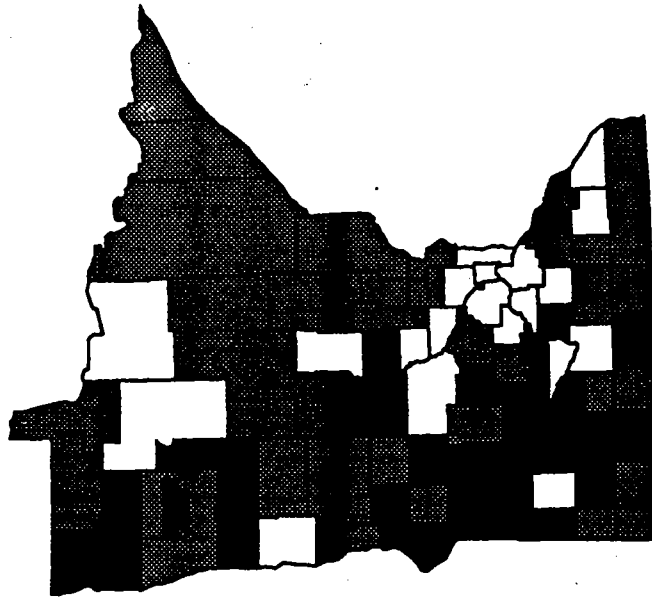
Same House as 1985



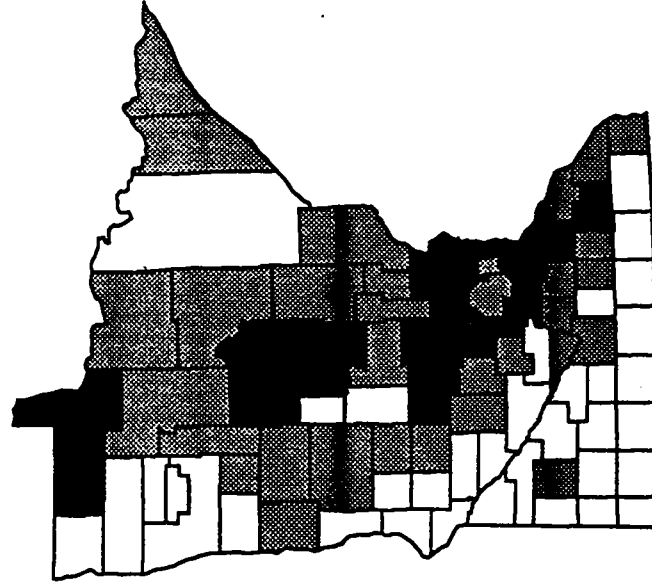
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1985,
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Percent of Housing Units
Built 1985-90



Percent Living in Same House
as in 1985

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